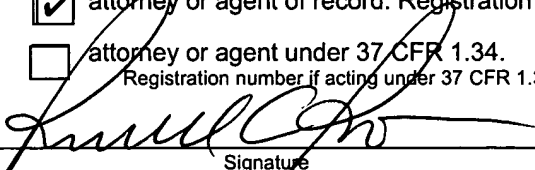


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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>FY 2005</b><br><i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        | Docket Number (Optional)<br>23100.40 |           |  |     |                  |  |                                                                   |       |      |           |                                                         |       |       |          |                                                           |        |       |          |                                                          |        |       |          |                                                          |        |        |          |
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| For DIETARY SUPPLEMENT COMPOSITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        |                                      |           |  |     |                  |  |                                                                   |       |      |           |                                                         |       |       |          |                                                           |        |       |          |                                                          |        |       |          |                                                          |        |        |          |
| Art Unit 1651                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        | Examiner Coe, S.                     |           |  |     |                  |  |                                                                   |       |      |           |                                                         |       |       |          |                                                           |        |       |          |                                                          |        |       |          |                                                          |        |        |          |
| <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th></th><th>Fee</th><th>Small Entity Fee</th><th></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td>\$120</td><td>\$60</td><td>\$ 120.00</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td>\$450</td><td>\$225</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td>\$1020</td><td>\$510</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td>\$1590</td><td>\$795</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td>\$2160</td><td>\$1080</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>08-1394</u>. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.<br/><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.<br/>Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).<br/><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>31,213</u><br/><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.<br/>Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p> <p><u></u> March 16, 2005<br/>Signature Date</p> <p><u>Randall C. Brown</u> 214/651-5242<br/>Typed or printed name Telephone Number</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.</p> |        |                                      |           |  | Fee | Small Entity Fee |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120 | \$60 | \$ 120.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$450 | \$225 | \$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1020 | \$510 | \$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$1590 | \$795 | \$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$2160 | \$1080 | \$ _____ |
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